USDA Forest Service 2967 Steed Creek Road Huger, South Carolina 29450

> Reply to: 2430 Date: 02/28/2012

## Dear Prospective Bidder:

On 04/03/2012, at 01:00 PM, sealed bids will be opened in the Francis Marion Ranger District Office, Huger, SC for the FM C98 Roundwood sale. This sale is located in Berkeley County approximately 2 miles east of Huger, SC on the Francis Marion National Forest. Access is via State Road 599 (Eccles Church Rd), Steed Creek Road, Gaskins Road, and Forest Service Road 170 (North Hampton). Timber sale Contract 2400-6 will be used. The termination date for this sale is 09/30/2013.

Measurement of the estimated quantities will be made after felling. The total estimated quantity on this sale is 4,652 Ton. The Forest Service encourages potential bidders to make their own inspection and estimate prior to bid submission. The Forest Service makes no representation, warranty, or guarantee of the accuracy of the following quantity estimates:

Estimated Qu	Estimated Quantities and Minimum Acceptable Rates per Unit of Measure						Required Deposits	
Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantities	Average DBH	Minimum Acceptable Bid Rates	Base Rates	Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Softwood - Other	Misc-Conv.	Ton	4,652.00	N/A	\$4.28	\$0.82	\$0.00	\$0.29
Only the Fixed Rate Applies								
Southern Yellow Pine	Sawtimber	Ton	unestimated	N/A	\$14.78	\$1.39	\$0.00	\$0.29
	Total	Ton	4,652.00				\$0.00	\$1,349.08

The minimum acceptable bid for advertised timber is \$19,910.56 for the biddable species.

There is a \$2,000.00 bid guarantee required on this sale.

For Reviewing and/or copies of the prospectus, bid form, sale area map, sample contract, and ot6her related documents please visit our web site: www.fs.usda.gov/goto/scnfs/francismariontimbersales.

If you wish further information on this sale, the prospectus and bid form, please write or call the Francis Marion District Office, 2967 Steed Creek Road, Huger, SC. The phone number to call is (843) 336-2229.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Dent Contracting Officer

Enclosure